

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2371

Introduced by Assembly Member Coto

February 21, 2008

An act to amend Sections 105, 2026, 2033, 2102, 2119, 2137, 2141, 2142, 2151, 2156, 2165, 2166, 2166.5, 2166.7, 2167, 2180, 2181, 2183, 2187, 2189, 2190, 2194, 2200, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2212, 2221, 3006, 3007.5, 3009, 3011, 3013, 3019, 3021, 3305, 3501, 9094, 14310, 16442, 16462, 17000, and 17001 of, and to add Sections 2101.5, 2101.6, and 2155.1 to, the Elections Code, to amend Sections 6254.4, 23365, 23374.13, and 57051 of the Government Code, to add Section 19584.5 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to amend Section 12950.5 of, and to add Section 12500.5 to, the Vehicle Code, and to amend Section 60211 of the Water Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2371, as introduced, Coto. Elections: voter registration.

Under existing law, a person qualified to vote may only register to vote by completing an affidavit of registration.

This bill would provide that all persons not already registered to vote who are qualified to be registered to vote who complete an application for a new or renewed California driver's license, instruction permit, junior permit, or identification card with the Department of Motor Vehicles or who file a Personal Income Tax form with the Franchise Tax Board be registered to vote, unless the person declines to be registered to vote. Persons registered to vote under these provisions would be registered as having no party affiliation. If the person named on the application or form would not be 18 years of age at the time of the next election but otherwise satisfies the requirements to be registered

to vote, he or she would be automatically registered to vote at the time that he or she will be 18 years of age by the time of the next election, unless the person declines to be registered to vote on the application or form. The bill would require the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Franchise Tax Board to send a duplicate of each of these documents to the elections official of the county in which the person named on the document resides, unless the person declines to be registered to vote. The bill would require the elections official to maintain these documents for persons not yet registered to vote who qualify to be registered to vote in a manner identical to which the affidavits of registration are maintained.

Under existing law, affidavits of registration are used to verify the residence of a voter, to verify the signature of a voter, and to verify the political affiliation of a voter. Existing law requires a county elections official to maintain the affidavits of registration for voters within the county, to maintain a voter registration index based upon the valid affidavits of registration for voters within the county, to keep voter information listed on the affidavit of registration confidential in certain circumstances, and to cancel the affidavits of registration for persons who are no longer qualified to vote. Existing law permits a county elections official to duplicate uncanceled affidavits of registration for the voters in the county and to store the information contained in the affidavits of registration by way of data processing equipment. Existing law requires the county elections official to maintain canceled affidavits of voter registration, as prescribed.

This bill would require that the completed applications of the Department of Motor Vehicles and the completed forms of the Franchise Tax Board that cause a person to become registered to vote be used for verification purposes in the same manner as affidavits of registration, with the exception of political party affiliation. The bill would also require that the completed applications of the Department of Motor Vehicles and the completed forms of the Franchise Tax Board be maintained in the same manner as affidavits of registration, be included in the preparation of the voter index, be kept confidential in certain circumstances in the same manner as affidavits of registration, and be canceled in the same manner as affidavits of registration. The bill would permit a county elections official to duplicate completed applications of the Department of Motor Vehicles and completed forms of the Franchise Tax Board that cause a person to become registered to vote and to store the information contained in the applications and forms by

way of data processing equipment. The bill would require the county elections official to maintain canceled applications and forms that cause a person to be registered to vote.

Because the bill would require elections officials to provide a higher level of service, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 105 of the Elections Code is amended to
2 read:

3 105. (a) For purposes of verifying ~~signatures~~ *a signature* on
4 ~~any~~ *an* initiative, referendum, recall, nomination, or other election
5 petition or paper, the elections official shall determine that the
6 residence address on the petition or paper is the same as the
7 residence address on the affidavit of registration *or the duplicate*
8 *of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote*
9 *pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.* If the
10 addresses are different, or if the petition or paper does not specify
11 the residence address, or, in the case of an initiative or referendum
12 petition, if the information specified in Section 9020 is not
13 contained in the petition, the affected signature shall not be counted
14 as valid.

15 ~~Any~~
16 (b) A signature invalidated pursuant to this section shall not
17 affect the validity of ~~other~~ *another* valid ~~signatures~~ *signature* on
18 the particular petition or paper.

19 SEC. 2. Section 2026 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

20 2026. The domicile of a Member of the Legislature or a
21 Representative in the Congress of the United States shall be
22 conclusively presumed to be at the residence address indicated on
23 that person's currently filed affidavit of registration *or the duplicate*

1 *of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote*
2 *pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.*

3 SEC. 3. Section 2033 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

4 2033. Whenever the house number or the mailing address of
5 a voter has been changed and the voter's domicile is the same, the
6 public agency authorizing the change shall notify the county
7 elections official in writing of the change and the county elections
8 official shall make the change on the voter's ~~affidavit of~~ registration
9 and a new ~~affidavit~~ registration shall not be required.

10 SEC. 4. Section 2101.5 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

11 2101.5. (a) A person who is not registered to vote and properly
12 completes an application for a new or renewed California driver's
13 license, instruction permit, junior permit, or identification card
14 who satisfies the requirements to be registered to vote shall be
15 registered to vote, unless that person declines to be registered to
16 vote on the application. A person who is not currently registered
17 to vote and properly completes an application for a new or renewed
18 California driver's license, instruction permit, junior permit, or
19 identification card who will not be 18 years of age at the time of
20 the next election but otherwise satisfies the requirements to be
21 registered to vote shall be automatically registered to vote at the
22 time that he or she will be 18 years of age by the time of the next
23 election, unless that person declines to be registered to vote on the
24 application.

25 (b) A person who is not registered to vote and files a Personal
26 Income Tax filing form with the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to
27 Part 10.2 (commencing with Section 18401) of Division 2 of the
28 Revenue and Taxation Code who satisfies the requirements to
29 register to vote shall be registered to vote, unless that person
30 declines to be registered to vote on the form. A person who is not
31 registered to vote and files a Personal Income Tax filing form with
32 the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to Part 10.2 (commencing with
33 Section 18401) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code
34 who will not be 18 years of age at the time of the next election but
35 otherwise satisfies the requirements to be registered to vote shall
36 be automatically registered to vote at the time that he or she will
37 be 18 years of age by the time of the next election, unless that
38 person declines to be registered to vote on the form.

39 (c) A person may register to vote by completing an affidavit of
40 registration as provided for by this chapter.

1 (d) A person who is registered to vote pursuant to subdivision
2 (a) or (b) shall be treated as if he or she has declined to state a
3 party affiliation on the affidavit of registration pursuant to Section
4 2151.

5 SEC. 5. Section 2101.6 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

6 2101.6. (a) Upon receipt of the duplicate of the document from
7 the Department of Motor Vehicles, sent pursuant to Section
8 12500.5 of the Vehicle Code, or the Franchise Tax Board, sent
9 pursuant to Section 19584.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code,
10 the county elections official shall examine the document and
11 determine if the person named on the document has supplied the
12 information required to establish that the he or she is qualified to
13 vote. If the person named on the document is not currently
14 registered to vote and the document indicates that the person
15 satisfies the requirements to be registered to vote, the document
16 shall be treated by the county elections official the same as a
17 completed affidavit of registration. If the person named on the
18 duplicate document will not be 18 years of age at the time of the
19 next election but otherwise satisfies the requirements to be
20 registered to vote, the person shall be automatically registered to
21 vote at the time that he or she will be 18 years of age by the time
22 of the next election.

23 (b) Registration to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section
24 2101.5 shall be deemed effective if received by the Department
25 of Motor Vehicles on or before the 15th day prior to the election.
26 Registration to vote pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 2101.5
27 shall be deemed effective if received by the Franchise Tax Board
28 on or before the 15th day prior to the election.

29 (c) The document received from the Department of Motor
30 Vehicles or the Franchise Tax Board that caused a voter to be
31 registered pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5 shall
32 be maintained by the county elections official in the same manner
33 that the county elections official maintains an affidavit of
34 registration.

35 (d) For purposes of verifying a signature on a recall, initiative,
36 or referendum petition or a signature on a nomination paper or any
37 other election petition or election paper, a properly executed
38 application for a new or renewed California driver's license,
39 instruction permit, junior permit, or identification card or Personal
40 Income Tax filing form that caused a person to be registered to

1 vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5 shall be
2 deemed effective for verification purposes if both (1) the
3 application or form is signed on the same date or a date prior to
4 the signing of the petition or paper, and (2) the application or form
5 is received by the county elections official on or before the date
6 on which the petition or paper is filed.

7 SEC. 6. Section 2102 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

8 2102. (a) ~~A person may not be registered as a voter except by~~
9 ~~affidavit of registration. The~~ *An affidavit of registration* shall be
10 mailed or delivered to the county elections official and shall set
11 forth ~~all of~~ the facts required to be shown by this chapter. A
12 properly executed registration shall be deemed effective upon
13 receipt of the affidavit by the county elections official if received
14 on or before the 15th day prior to an election to be held in the
15 registrant's precinct. A properly executed registration shall also
16 be deemed effective upon receipt of the affidavit by the county
17 elections official if any of the following apply:

18 (1) The affidavit is postmarked on or before the 15th day prior
19 to the election and received by mail by the county elections official.

20 (2) The affidavit is submitted to the Department of Motor
21 Vehicles or accepted by any other public agency designated as a
22 voter registration agency pursuant to the National Voter
23 Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1973gg) on or before the
24 15th day prior to the election.

25 (3) The affidavit is delivered to the county elections official by
26 means other than those described in ~~paragraphs~~ *paragraph* (1) or
27 (2) on or before the 15th day prior to the election.

28 (b) For purposes of verifying ~~signatures~~ *a signature* on a recall,
29 initiative, or referendum petition or ~~signatures~~ *a signature* on a
30 nomination paper or any other election petition or election paper,
31 a properly executed affidavit of registration shall be deemed
32 effective for verification purposes if both ~~(a)~~ *(1)* the affidavit is
33 signed on the same date or a date prior to the signing of the petition
34 or paper, and ~~(b)~~ *(2)* the affidavit is received by the county elections
35 official on or before the date on which the petition or paper is filed.

36 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
37 the affidavit of registration required under this chapter may not be
38 taken under sworn oath, but the content of the affidavit shall be
39 certified as to its truthfulness and correctness, under penalty of
40 perjury, by the signature of the affiant.

1 SEC. 7. Section 2119 of the Elections Code is amended to read:
2 2119. (a) In lieu of executing a new affidavit of registration
3 for a change of address within the county, the county elections
4 official shall accept a notice or letter of the change of address
5 signed by a voter as he or she is registered.

6 (b) The county elections official shall accept a notification for
7 the forthcoming election and shall change the address on the voter's
8 affidavit of registration accordingly if the notification is executed
9 on or before the 15th day prior to the election and if any of the
10 following apply:

11 (1) The notification is postmarked on or before the 15th day
12 prior to the election and received by mail by the county elections
13 official.

14 (2) The notification is submitted to the Department of Motor
15 Vehicles or accepted by any other public agency designated as a
16 voter registration agency pursuant to the National Voter
17 Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1973gg) prior to the
18 election.

19 (3) The notification is delivered to the county elections official
20 by means other than those described in paragraphs (1) and (2) ~~and~~
21 (3) on or before the 14th day prior to the election.

22 SEC. 8. Section 2137 of the Elections Code is amended to read:
23 2137. When ~~any~~ *an* elector is registered *by completing an*
24 *affidavit of registration*, his or her name, residence, and residence
25 telephone number, if furnished, shall be entered on the stub
26 attached to the original affidavit. If for any cause the affidavit is
27 spoiled in the course of execution or a mistake is made, the
28 affidavit shall not be destroyed, but the name of the elector for
29 whom it was intended, with his or her residence, shall be entered
30 on the stub as in other cases, and the stubs and affidavits each
31 marked with the word "spoiled."

32 SEC. 9. Section 2141 of the Elections Code is amended to read:
33 2141. (a) If the county elections official deems a duplicate
34 file of voter ~~registration cards~~ *registrations* to be necessary for
35 administrative purposes, the county elections official may prepare,
36 upon the receipt in his or her office of ~~each~~ *the* original affidavit
37 of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused a*
38 *person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b)*
39 *of Section 2101.5*, a reproduction thereof in compliance with the
40 following conditions:

1 (a)

2 (1) ~~The affidavit document~~ is photographed, microphotographed,
3 or reproduced in a manner approved for permanent records by the
4 National Bureau of Standards.

5 (b)

6 (2) The device used to reproduce the ~~affidavit document~~ is one
7 that accurately reproduces the ~~original thereof document~~ in all
8 details.

9 (c)

10 (3) The photographs, microphotographs, or other reproductions
11 are placed in conveniently accessible files and provision is made
12 for preserving, examining, and using the same.

13 (b) Wherever in this code ~~the term duplicate affidavit~~ “*duplicate*
14 *affidavit*” is used it shall be deemed to include the reproduced
15 affidavit authorized by this section.

16 ~~Any~~

17 (c) A signature comparison required by this code may be made
18 against ~~these duplicates~~ *a duplicate produced in compliance with*
19 *this section*.

20 SEC. 10. Section 2142 of the Elections Code is amended to
21 read:

22 2142. (a) If the county elections official refuses to register ~~any~~
23 *a* qualified elector in the county, the elector may proceed by action
24 in the superior court to compel his or her registration. In an action
25 under this section, as many persons may join as plaintiffs as have
26 causes of action.

27 (b) If the county elections official has not registered ~~any~~ *a*
28 qualified elector who claims to have registered to vote through the
29 Department of Motor Vehicles, *the Franchise Tax Board*, or ~~any~~
30 ~~other~~ *a* public agency designated as a voter registration agency
31 pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C.
32 Sec. 1973gg), the elector may proceed by action in the superior
33 court to compel his or her registration. In an action under this
34 section, as many persons may join as plaintiffs as have causes of
35 action.

36 (c) No fee shall be charged by the clerk of the court for services
37 rendered in an action under this section.

38 SEC. 11. Section 2151 of the Elections Code is amended to
39 read:

1 2151. (a) At the time of ~~registering~~ *completing an affidavit of*
2 *registration* and of transferring registration, each elector may
3 declare the name of the political party with which he or she intends
4 to affiliate at the ensuing primary election. The name of that
5 political party shall be stated in the affidavit of registration and
6 the index.

7 (b) The voter registration card shall inform the affiant that ~~any~~
8 *an* elector may decline to state a political affiliation, but ~~no~~ *a*
9 person shall *not* be entitled to vote the ballot of ~~any~~ *a* political
10 party at ~~any~~ *a* primary election unless he or she has stated the name
11 of the party with which he or she intends to affiliate or unless he
12 or she has declined to state a party affiliation and the political
13 party, by party rule duly noticed to the Secretary of State,
14 authorizes a person who has declined to state a party affiliation to
15 vote the ballot of that political party. The voter registration card
16 shall include a listing of all qualified political parties.

17 ~~No~~

18 (c) A person shall *not* be permitted to vote the ballot of ~~any~~ *a*
19 party or for ~~any~~ delegates to the convention of ~~any~~ *a* party other
20 than the party designated in his or her registration, except as
21 provided by Section 2152 or unless he or she has declined to state
22 a party affiliation and the party, by party rule duly noticed to the
23 Secretary of State, authorizes a person who has declined to state
24 a party affiliation to vote the party ballot or for delegates to the
25 party convention.

26 SEC. 12. Section 2155.1 is added to the Elections Code, to
27 read:

28 2155.1. Upon receipt of the duplicate of the document signed
29 by the voter from the Department of Motor Vehicles or the
30 Franchise Tax Board that caused a voter to be registered pursuant
31 to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5, the county elections
32 official shall inspect the voter index to determine whether the
33 person has been previously registered to vote. If the county
34 elections official determines that the person has not previously
35 been registered to vote, the county elections official shall send the
36 voter a voter notification by nonforwardable, first-class mail,
37 address correction requested.

38 The voter notification shall be substantially in the following
39 form:

VOTER NOTIFICATION

You are registered to vote. Because you have not completed an affidavit of voter registration, you are registered as declaring no party affiliation.

You may vote in any election held 15 or more days after the date shown on the reverse side of this card.

Your name will appear on the index kept at the polls.

Please contact your county elections office if the information shown on the reverse side of this card is incorrect.

SEC. 13. Section 2156 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2156. The Secretary of State shall print, or cause to be printed, the blank forms of the voter notification prescribed by ~~Section~~ *Sections 2155 and 2155.1*. The Secretary of State shall supply the forms to the county elections official in quantities and at times requested by the county elections official. The Secretary of State may continue to supply, and ~~the a~~ county elections ~~officials~~ *official* may continue to use, existing voter notification forms prior to printing new or revised forms as required by any changes to Section 2155 *or 2155.1*.

SEC. 14. Section 2165 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2165. Affidavits of registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* for the whole of each county shall be filed, as fast as the registration progresses, in any orderly arrangement as prescribed by the county elections official. If the ~~affidavits~~ *documents* are not filed alphabetically without regard to precinct, the county elections official shall, by electronic, electromechanical, or other suitable means, provide, for general use in his or her office, a comprehensive, printed alphabetical index to the surnames of voters on all uncanceled ~~affidavits~~ *voter registrations* for the whole of the county, whereby the affidavit of registration *or duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* of ~~any a~~ voter may be ascertained and produced. In the case of voters having the same surname, the classification of names appearing on the index shall extend to the given and, where necessary, the middle name or initial.

SEC. 15. Section 2166 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2166. (a) ~~Any~~A person filing with the county elections official a new affidavit of registration or reregistration *or is registered pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* may have the information relating to his or her residence address, telephone number, and e-mail address appearing on the affidavit *or the duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, or ~~any~~ a list or roster or index prepared therefrom, declared confidential upon order of a superior court issued upon a showing of good cause that a life-threatening circumstance exists to the voter or a member of the voter's household, and naming the county elections official as a party.

(b) ~~Any~~A person granted confidentiality under subdivision (a) shall:

(1) Be considered a vote by mail voter for all subsequent elections or until the county elections official is notified otherwise by the court or in writing by the voter. A voter requesting termination of vote by mail status thereby consents to placement of his or her residence address, telephone number, and e-mail address in the roster of voters.

(2) In addition to the required residence address, provide a valid mailing address to be used in place of the residence address for election, scholarly, or political research, and government purposes. The elections official, in producing ~~any~~ a list, roster, or index may, at his or her choice, use the valid mailing address or the word "confidential" or some similar designation in place of the residence address.

(c) ~~No~~An action in negligence may *not* be maintained against ~~any~~ a government entity or officer or employee thereof as a result of the disclosure of the information which is the subject of this section unless by a showing of gross negligence or willfulness.

SEC. 16. Section 2166.5 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2166.5. (a) ~~Any~~A person filing with the county elections official a new affidavit of registration or reregistration *or is registered pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* may have the information relating to his or her residence address, telephone number, and e-mail address appearing on the affidavit

1 *or the duplicate of the document that caused a person to be*
2 *registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
3 *2101.5, or ~~any~~ a list or roster or index prepared therefrom, declared*
4 *confidential upon presentation of certification that the person is a*
5 *participant in the Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic*
6 *Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking program pursuant to*
7 *Chapter 3.1 (commencing with Section 6205) of Division 7 of*
8 *Title 1 of the Government Code or a participant in the Address*
9 *Confidentiality for Reproductive Health Care Service Providers,*
10 *Employees, Volunteers, and Patients program pursuant to Chapter*
11 *3.2 (commencing with Section 6215) of that division.*

12 (b) ~~Any~~ A person granted confidentiality under subdivision (a)
13 shall:

14 (1) Be considered a vote by mail voter for all subsequent
15 elections or until the county elections official is notified otherwise
16 by the Secretary of State or in writing by the voter. A voter
17 requesting termination of vote by mail status thereby consents to
18 placement of his or her residence address, telephone number, and
19 e-mail address in the roster of voters.

20 (2) In addition to the required residence address, provide a valid
21 mailing address to be used in place of the residence address for
22 election, scholarly, or political research, and government purposes.
23 The elections official, in producing ~~any~~ a list, roster, or index may,
24 at his or her choice, use the valid mailing address or the word
25 “confidential” or some similar designation in place of the residence
26 address.

27 (c) ~~No~~ An action in negligence may *not* be maintained against
28 ~~any~~ a government entity or officer or employee thereof as a result
29 of the disclosure of the information that is the subject of this section
30 unless by a showing of gross negligence or willfulness.

31 (d) Subdivisions (a) and (b) shall not apply to ~~any~~ a person
32 granted confidentiality upon receipt by the county elections official
33 of a written notice by the address confidentiality program manager
34 of the withdrawal, invalidation, expiration, or termination of the
35 program participant’s certification.

36 (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2013,
37 and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that
38 is enacted before January 1, 2013, deletes or extends that date.

39 SEC. 17. Section 2166.7 of the Elections Code is amended to
40 read:

1 2166.7. (a) If authorized by his or her county board of
2 supervisors, a county elections official shall, upon application of
3 a public safety officer, make confidential that officer's residence
4 address, telephone number, and e-mail address appearing on the
5 affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that*
6 *caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision*
7 *(a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, in accordance with ~~the terms and~~
8 ~~conditions~~ of this section.

9 (b) The application by the public safety officer shall contain a
10 statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that the person is a
11 public safety officer as defined in subdivision (f) and that a
12 life-threatening circumstance exists to the officer or a member of
13 the officer's family. The application shall be a public record.

14 (c) The confidentiality granted pursuant to subdivision (a) shall
15 terminate no more than two years after commencement, as
16 determined by the county elections official. The officer may submit
17 a new application for confidentiality pursuant to subdivision (a),
18 and the new request may be granted for an additional period of
19 not more than two years.

20 (d) ~~Any~~ A person granted confidentiality under subdivision (a)
21 shall:

22 (1) Be considered a vote by mail voter for all subsequent
23 elections or until the county elections official is notified otherwise
24 by the Secretary of State or in writing by the voter. A voter
25 requesting termination of vote by mail status thereby consents to
26 placement of his or her residence address, telephone number, and
27 e-mail address in the roster of voters.

28 (2) In addition to the required residence address, provide a valid
29 mailing address to be used in place of the residence address for
30 election, scholarly, or political research, and government purposes.
31 The elections official, in producing any list, roster, or index may,
32 at his or her choice, use the valid mailing address or the word
33 "confidential" or some similar designation in place of the residence
34 address.

35 (e) ~~No~~ An action in negligence may *not* be maintained against
36 ~~any~~ a government entity or officer or employee thereof as a result
37 of the disclosure of the information that is the subject of this section
38 unless by a showing of gross negligence or willfulness.

(f) “A public safety officer” has the same meaning as *a public safety official* as defined in subdivision (a), (d), (e), (f), or (j) of Section 6254.24 of the Government Code.

SEC. 18. Section 2167 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2167. (a) Upon the personal or written application of ~~any~~ a person, the county elections official shall, at a fee not to exceed one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50), provide the applicant with a certified copy of the entries upon the register relating to the applicant.

(b) A certified copy of an uncanceled affidavit of registration or a certified copy of an uncanceled document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5 is prima facie evidence that the person named in the entry is a voter of the county.

SEC. 19. Section 2180 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2180. (a) At least once, and more often if he or she deems it necessary, within each two-year period commencing on the first day of January in each odd-numbered year, the county elections official shall have printed a complete index, by precinct, to the affidavits of registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* current at the date of printing.

(b) (1) The index shall contain the name, address, residence telephone number if furnished, and political affiliation of each voter *if furnished*, and also a ruled space to the left of each name, within which to write, in figures, the line number designating the position of the name of the voter on the roster of voters.

(2) The name shall include the given name and the middle name or initials, if any. At the affiant’s option, the given name may be preceded by the designation “Miss,” “Ms.,” “Mrs.,” or “Mr.”

(c) The index shall be printed in a size no smaller than eight-point roman type on eight-point body and shall be arranged in alphabetical order in accordance with the surnames of the voters.

(d) A space of not less than one-quarter inch or one line of printing shall be left between the names of voters beginning with one letter of the alphabet and those starting with the next letter of the alphabet.

1 (e) Supplements of the same content and style may be printed
2 as need for them appears.

3 SEC. 20. Section 2181 of the Elections Code is amended to
4 read:

5 2181. In addition to printing a complete index within and for
6 each two-year period, as provided in Section 2180, the county
7 elections official may print and maintain one complete and
8 continuing index, by precinct, to the affidavits of registration *and*
9 *the duplicates of the documents that caused a person to be*
10 *registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
11 *2101.5* and keep the index current by supplements and deletions
12 as provided in Sections 2180 and 2183, and by reprinting portions
13 of the index by precinct, as the need appears, the reprinted portions
14 to contain the same information concerning each voter and to be
15 in the same style, spacing, and type of print as provided in Section
16 2180.

17 SEC. 21. Section 2183 of the Elections Code is amended to
18 read:

19 2183. (a) The elections official shall supply copies of the index
20 and of supplements to the index, necessary to bring it up to date,
21 ~~for all elections~~ *an election* to be held within the county. The
22 county elections official shall also supply as many copies of the
23 index and supplements, not to exceed four in number, as may be
24 requested by the elections official of a city, school district, or other
25 body. The name of ~~each~~ *a* voter whose affidavit of registration *or*
26 *registration made pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
27 *2101.5* has been canceled shall be lined out of the index and
28 supplement. The county elections official may charge an amount
29 ~~as that~~ will reimburse the county for the expense incurred in
30 preparing and furnishing ~~a lined out indexes~~ *index* of registrations
31 and supplements other than for those provided for by Sections
32 2180 and 2182.

33 (b) In the case of a municipal election, an index provided
34 pursuant to this section shall be supplied to the city elections
35 official not less than 25 days prior to the day of the election for
36 which it is provided. If the index does not contain the names of all
37 people eligible to vote in the election, the county elections official
38 shall supply a supplement to the index, including all voters who
39 registered after the 54th day before the election, not less than seven
40 days prior to the election for which it is provided.

1 SEC. 22. Section 2187 of the Elections Code is amended to
2 read:

3 2187. (a) ~~Each~~A county elections official shall send to the
4 Secretary of State, in a format described by the Secretary of State,
5 a summary statement of the number of voters in the county. The
6 statement shall show the total number of voters in the county, the
7 number registered as affiliated with each qualified political party,
8 the number registered in nonqualified parties, ~~and~~ the number who
9 declined to state ~~any~~ a party affiliation, *and the number who have*
10 *been registered as declining to state party affiliation because of*
11 *registration of the voter pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of*
12 *Section 2101.5*. The statement shall also show the number of voters,
13 by political affiliations, in each city, supervisorial district,
14 Assembly district, Senate district, and congressional district located
15 in whole or in part within the county.

16 (b) The Secretary of State, on the basis of the statements sent
17 by the county elections officials and within 30 days after receiving
18 those statements, shall compile a statewide list showing the number
19 of voters, by party affiliations, in the state and in each county, city,
20 supervisorial district, Assembly district, Senate district, and
21 congressional district in the state. A copy of this list shall be made
22 available, upon request, to any elector in this state.

23 (c) ~~Each~~A county that uses data processing equipment to store
24 the information set forth in the affidavit of registration *or the*
25 *duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered*
26 *to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* shall
27 send to the Secretary of State one copy of the magnetic tape file
28 with the information requested by the Secretary of State. ~~Each~~ A
29 county that does not use data processing storage shall send to the
30 Secretary of State one copy of the index setting forth that
31 information.

32 (d) The summary ~~statements~~ *statement* and the magnetic tape
33 file copy or the index shall be sent at the following times:

34 (1) On the 135th day before each presidential primary and before
35 each direct primary, with respect to voters registered on the 154th
36 day before the primary election.

37 (2) Not less than 50 days prior to the primary election, with
38 respect to voters registered on the 60th day before the primary
39 election.

1 (3) Not less than 7 days prior to the primary election, with
2 respect to voters registered before the 14th day prior to the primary
3 election.

4 (4) Not less than 50 days prior to the general election, with
5 respect to voters registered on the 60th day before the general
6 election.

7 (5) Not less than 7 days prior to the general election, with respect
8 to voters registered before the 14th day prior to the general election.

9 (6) On or before March 1 of each odd-numbered year, with
10 respect to voters registered as of February 10.

11 (e) The Secretary of State may adopt regulations prescribing
12 the content and format of the magnetic tape file or index referred
13 to in subdivision (c) and containing the registered voter information
14 ~~from the affidavits of registration.~~

15 (f) The Secretary of State may adopt regulations prescribing
16 additional regular reporting times, except that the total number of
17 reporting times in any one calendar year shall not exceed 12.

18 (g) The Secretary of State shall make the information from the
19 magnetic tape files or the printed indexes available, under
20 conditions prescribed by the Secretary of State, to ~~any~~ a candidate
21 for federal, state, or local office, to ~~any~~ a committee for or against
22 ~~any~~ a proposed ballot measure, to ~~any~~ a committee for or against
23 ~~any~~ an initiative or referendum measure for which legal publication
24 is made, and to ~~any~~ a person for election, scholarly, or political
25 research, or a governmental ~~purposes~~ *purpose* as determined by
26 the Secretary of State.

27 SEC. 23. Section 2189 of the Elections Code is amended to
28 read:

29 2189. Before the day of ~~any~~ an election held throughout the
30 county, the county elections official shall deliver to the precinct
31 board in each precinct three copies of the index to the affidavits
32 of registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused a*
33 *person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b)*
34 *of Section 2101.5* for that precinct, with canceled names lined out
35 and with necessary supplements to bring the index up to date. The
36 index and supplements shall constitute the register to be used at
37 the election.

38 SEC. 24. Section 2190 of the Elections Code is amended to
39 read:

1 2190. (a) If the county elections official maintains tabulating
2 cards containing the information set forth in the affidavits of
3 registration of voters *and the duplicates of the documents that*
4 *caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision*
5 *(a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, or sets forth that information on
6 electronic data processing tape, he or she shall provide, upon
7 request, not less than 30 days prior to each direct primary election
8 and general election, one set of those cards or a copy of the tape
9 to the county central committee of a party for all voters allowed
10 to participate in the subsequent direct primary election or general
11 election. The county elections official shall also furnish to the
12 county central committee, not less than seven days prior to each
13 direct primary election and general election, one set of those cards
14 or a copy of the tape of those voters who registered after the 54th
15 day before the election. The cards or tape shall be provided without
16 charge, except that the county central committee shall provide a
17 replacement for the tape.

18 (b) In addition to those provided to county central committees,
19 the county elections official shall provide, upon request, a set of
20 cards or a copy of a tape to any candidate or committee specified
21 in Section 2184, provided that the candidate or committee
22 reimburses the county for whatever actual costs are involved in
23 providing this service.

24 SEC. 25. Section 2194 of the Elections Code is amended to
25 read:

26 2194. (a) The voter registration ~~card~~ and information identified in
27 subdivision (a) of Section 6254.4 of the Government Code:

28 (1) Shall be confidential and shall not appear on ~~any~~ a computer
29 terminal, list, affidavit, duplicate affidavit, or other medium
30 routinely available to the public at the county elections official's
31 office.

32 (2) Shall not be used for ~~any~~ a personal, private, or commercial
33 purpose, including, but not limited to:

34 (A) The harassment of ~~any~~ a voter or voter's household.

35 (B) The advertising, solicitation, sale, or marketing of ~~products~~
36 *a product or services service* to ~~any~~ a voter or voter's household.

37 (C) Reproduction in print, broadcast visual or audio, or display
38 on the Internet or ~~any~~ a computer terminal unless pursuant to
39 paragraph (3).

(3) Shall be provided with respect to ~~any~~ a voter, subject to the provisions of Sections 2166.5, 2166.7, and 2188, to ~~any~~ a candidate for federal, state, or local office, to ~~any~~ a committee for or against ~~any~~ an initiative or referendum measure for which legal publication is made, and to ~~any~~ a person for election, scholarly, journalistic, or political purposes, or for governmental purposes, as determined by the Secretary of State.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the California driver's license number, the California identification card number, the social security number, and any other unique identifier used by the State of California for purposes of voter identification shown on a voter registration card *or the duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* of a registered voter, or added to voter registration records to comply with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 15301 et seq.), are confidential and shall not be disclosed to any person.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the signature of the voter shown on the voter registration card *or the duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* is confidential and shall not be disclosed to any person, except as provided in subdivision (c).

(c) (1) The home address or signature of ~~any~~ a voter shall be released whenever the person's vote is challenged pursuant to Sections 15105 to 15108, inclusive, or Article 3 (commencing with Section 14240) of Chapter 3 of Division 14. The address or signature shall be released only to the challenger, to *an* elections ~~officials~~ *official*, and to other persons as necessary to make, defend against, or adjudicate the challenge.

(2) An elections official shall permit a person to view the signature of a voter for the purpose of determining whether the signature matches a signature on an affidavit of registration, *the duplicate of the document that caused a person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, or a petition, but shall not permit a signature to be copied.

(d) A governmental entity, or officer or employee thereof, shall not be held civilly liable as a result of disclosure of the information

1 referred to in this section, unless by a showing of gross negligence
2 or willfulness.

3 (e) For the purposes of this section, “voter’s household” is
4 defined as the voter’s place of residence or mailing address or ~~any~~
5 ~~persons a person who reside~~ *resides* at the place of residence or
6 ~~use uses~~ the mailing address as supplied on the affidavit of
7 registration pursuant to paragraphs (3) and (4) of subdivision (a)
8 of Section 2150 *or the duplicate of the document that caused a*
9 *person to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b)*
10 *of Section 2101.5.*

11 SEC. 26. Section 2200 of the Elections Code is amended to
12 read:

13 2200. The registration of a voter is permanent for all purposes
14 during his or her life, unless and until the ~~affidavit of~~ registration
15 is canceled by the county elections official for any of the causes
16 specified in this article.

17 SEC. 27. Section 2202 of the Elections Code is amended to
18 read:

19 2202. (a) The county elections official shall preserve all
20 uncanceled affidavits of registration *and duplicates of the*
21 *documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to*
22 *subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* in a secure manner that
23 will protect the confidentiality of the voter information consistent
24 with Section 2194.

25 The affidavits of registration *and duplicates of the documents*
26 *that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision*
27 *(a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* shall constitute the register required
28 to be kept by Article 5 (commencing with Section 2180) of Chapter
29 2.

30 (b) In lieu of maintaining uncanceled affidavits of registration
31 *and the duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be*
32 *registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
33 *2101.5*, the county elections official may, following the first general
34 election after the date of registration, microfilm, record on optical
35 disc, or record on ~~any other~~ *another* electronic medium that does
36 not permit ~~additions an addition, deletions deletion, or changes~~
37 *change* to the original document, the uncanceled affidavits of
38 registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused voters*
39 *to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
40 *2101.5.* ~~Any such use~~ *Use* of an electronic medium to record

1 uncanceled affidavits *of registration and the duplicates of the*
2 *documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to*
3 *subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* shall protect the security
4 and confidentiality of the voter information. The county elections
5 official may dispose of ~~any~~ uncanceled affidavits of registration
6 *and the duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be*
7 *registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
8 *2101.5* transferred pursuant to this section. The disposal of ~~any~~
9 uncanceled affidavits *and the duplicates of the documents that*
10 *caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a)*
11 *or (b) of Section 2101.5* shall be performed in a manner that does
12 not compromise the security or confidentiality of the voter
13 information contained therein. ~~Any~~ A medium utilized by the
14 county elections official shall meet the minimum standards,
15 guidelines, or both, as recommended by the American National
16 Standards Institute or the Association of Information and Image
17 Management. For purposes of this section, a duplicate copy of an
18 affidavit of registration shall be deemed an original.

19 SEC. 28. Section 2203 of the Elections Code is amended to
20 read:

21 2203. (a) Cancellation is made by writing or stamping on the
22 affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document and the*
23 *duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be registered to*
24 *vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* the word
25 “canceled,” the reason the ~~affidavit~~ *registration* was canceled, and
26 the date of cancellation.

27 (b) Whenever a voter transfers his or her registration from one
28 precinct to another precinct in the same county, or reregisters in
29 another precinct in the same county as shown by the new affidavit
30 of registration, the county elections official shall immediately
31 cancel the ~~affidavit~~ of registration from the precinct in which the
32 voter was first registered, and shall remove the ~~affidavit~~
33 *registration* from the file of uncanceled ~~affidavits~~ *registrations*.

34 (c) Except as provided in Section 2119, whenever a voter
35 removes from one county to another county and registers in the
36 latter county, the county elections official of the county in which
37 he or she was first registered, upon being informed of his or her
38 removal either by the voter personally or by receipt of a notice of
39 reregistration under Section 2118, shall likewise cancel his or her
40 registration and remove the ~~affidavit~~ of registration in that county.

(d) The county elections official in distributing to each precinct the three indexes of registration, as required by Section 2189, shall cross out of those indexes the names of ~~all voters~~ *a voter* whose ~~affidavits of registration from the precinct have~~ *has* been canceled.

SEC. 29. Section 2204 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2204. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, whenever a voter changes his or her residence within the same precinct, the voter's ~~affidavit of registration shall not be cancelled~~ *canceled*. Whenever notified by the voter, the elections official shall change the voter's affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* to reflect the new residence address within the same precinct.

SEC. 30. Section 2205 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2205. (a) The local registrar of births and deaths shall notify the county elections official not later than the 15th day of each month of all deceased persons 18 years of age and over, whose deaths were registered with him or her or of whose deaths he or she was notified by the state registrar of vital statistics during the preceding month. This notification shall include at least the name, sex, age, birthplace, birthdate, place of residence, *and* date and place of death of each decedent.

(b) The county elections official shall cancel the ~~affidavit of voter~~ registration of each deceased voter.

SEC. 31. Section 2206 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2206. The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to facilitate the availability of death statistics from the State Department of ~~Public Health Services~~. The data shall be used by county elections officials in canceling the ~~affidavit of voter~~ registration of deceased persons.

SEC. 32. Section 2212 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

2212. The clerk of the superior court of ~~each~~ *the* county, on the basis of the records of the court, shall furnish to the chief elections official of the county, not less frequently than the first day of April and the first day of September of each year, a statement showing the names, addresses, and dates of birth of all

1 persons who have been convicted of felonies since the clerk's last
2 report. The elections official shall, during the first week of April
3 and the first week of September in each year, cancel the ~~affidavits~~
4 ~~of voter~~ registration of those persons who are currently imprisoned
5 or on parole for the conviction of a felony. The clerk shall certify
6 the statement under the seal of the court.

7 SEC. 33. Section 2221 of the Elections Code is amended to
8 read:

9 2221. (a) Based on the postal ~~notices~~ *notice* on the returned
10 residency confirmation ~~postcards~~ *postcard* received pursuant to
11 Section 2220, the county elections official shall take the following
12 actions:

13 (1) ~~The affidavits of voter registration of persons~~ *a person* whose
14 residency confirmation ~~postcards~~ *postcard* is returned by the
15 post office as undeliverable and who ~~have~~ *has* no forwarding
16 address shall be placed in the inactive file pursuant to paragraph
17 (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 2226. ~~These persons~~ *This person*
18 shall be mailed the confirmation ~~notices~~ *notice* described in
19 subdivision (d) of Section 2225.

20 (2) ~~The affidavits of voter registration of persons~~ *a person* for
21 whom *a* forwarding ~~addresses~~ *address* within the county ~~are~~ *is*
22 received shall be corrected to reflect the new address provided by
23 the post office.

24 (3) ~~The affidavits of voter registration of persons~~ *a person* for
25 whom *a* forwarding ~~addresses~~ *address* outside of the county ~~are~~ *is*
26 received shall be placed in the inactive file pursuant to paragraph
27 (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 2226. ~~These persons~~ *This person*
28 shall be mailed the confirmation ~~notices~~ *notice* described in
29 subdivision (c) of Section 2225.

30 (b) ~~Blank affidavits~~ *A blank affidavit* of registration shall
31 immediately be mailed to the ~~addresses~~ *address* from which *a*
32 voter ~~registrations~~ *registration* was canceled or changed
33 pursuant to this section.

34 (c) ~~All~~ *An* address ~~corrections and cancellations of affidavits~~
35 *correction or cancellation* of a voter registration made pursuant
36 to this section shall be reflected on the voter index as required by
37 Section 2191.

38 SEC. 34. Section 3006 of the Elections Code is amended to
39 read:

1 3006. (a) ~~Any~~A printed application that is to be distributed to
2 ~~voters~~ *a voter* for requesting *a* vote by mail ~~ballots~~ *ballot* shall
3 contain spaces for the following:

4 (1) The printed name and residence address of the voter as it
5 appears on the affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the*
6 *document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant*
7 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.*

8 (2) The address to which the ballot is to be mailed.

9 (3) The voter's signature.

10 (4) The name and date of the election for which the request is
11 to be made.

12 (5) The date the application must be received by the elections
13 official.

14 (b) (1) The information required by paragraphs (1), (4), and
15 (5) of subdivision (a) may be preprinted on the application. The
16 information required by paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (a)
17 shall be personally affixed by the voter.

18 (2) An address, as required by paragraph (2) of subdivision (a),
19 may not be the address of ~~any~~ *a* political party, a political campaign
20 headquarters, or a candidate's residence. However, a candidate,
21 his or her spouse, *an* immediate family ~~members~~ *member of the*
22 *candidate*, and any other voter who shares the same residence
23 address as the candidate may request that a vote by mail ballot be
24 mailed to the candidate's residence address.

25 (3) ~~Any~~An application that contains preprinted information
26 shall contain a conspicuously printed statement, as follows: "You
27 have the legal right to mail or deliver this application directly to
28 the local elections official of the county where you reside."

29 (c) The application shall inform the voter that if he or she is not
30 affiliated with a political party, the voter may request a vote by
31 mail ballot for a particular political party for the primary election,
32 if that political party has adopted a party rule, duly noticed to the
33 Secretary of State, authorizing that vote. The application shall
34 contain a toll-free telephone number, established by the Secretary
35 of State, that the voter may call to access information regarding
36 which political parties have adopted such a rule. The application
37 shall contain a checkoff box with a conspicuously printed statement
38 that reads, as follows: "I am not presently affiliated with any
39 political party. However, for this primary election only, I request

1 a vote by mail ballot for the _____ Party.” The name
2 of the political party shall be personally affixed by the voter.

3 (d) The application shall provide the ~~voters~~ voter with
4 information concerning the procedure for establishing permanent
5 vote by mail voter status, and the basis upon which permanent
6 vote by mail voter status is claimed.

7 (e) The application shall be attested to by the voter as to the
8 truth and correctness of its content, and shall be signed under
9 penalty of perjury.

10 SEC. 35. Section 3007.5 of the Elections Code is amended to
11 read:

12 3007.5. (a) The Secretary of State shall prepare and distribute
13 to ~~the~~ appropriate elections ~~officials~~ official a uniform electronic
14 application format for a vote by mail voter’s ballot that conforms
15 to this section.

16 (b) The uniform electronic application shall contain spaces for
17 at least the following information:

18 (1) The name and residence address of the registered voter as
19 it appears on the affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the*
20 *document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant*
21 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.*

22 (2) The address to which the ballot is to be mailed.

23 (3) The name and date of the election for which the request is
24 made.

25 (4) The date the application must be received by the elections
26 official.

27 (5) The date of birth of the registered voter.

28 (c) The uniform electronic application shall inform the voter
29 that if he or she is not affiliated with a political party, the voter
30 may request a vote by mail ballot for a particular political party
31 for the primary election, if that political party has adopted a party
32 rule, duly noticed to the Secretary of State, authorizing that vote.
33 The application shall contain a toll-free telephone number,
34 established by the Secretary of State, that the voter may call to
35 access information regarding which political parties have adopted
36 such a rule. The application shall list the parties that have notified
37 the Secretary of State of the adoption of such a rule. The
38 application shall contain a checkoff box with a conspicuously
39 printed statement that reads, as follows: “I am not presently
40 affiliated with any political party. However, for this primary

election only, I request a vote by mail ballot for the ____ Party.”
The name of the political party shall be personally affixed by the voter.

(d) The uniform electronic application shall contain a conspicuously printed statement, as follows: “Only the registered voter himself or herself may apply for a vote by mail ballot. An application for a vote by mail ballot made by a person other than the registered voter is a criminal offense.”

(e) The uniform electronic application shall include the following statement: “A ballot will not be sent to you if this application is incomplete or inaccurate.”

(f) The uniform electronic application format shall not permit the form to be electronically submitted unless all of the information required to complete the application is contained in the appropriate fields.

SEC. 36. Section 3009 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

3009. (a) Upon receipt of ~~any~~ a vote by mail ballot application signed by the voter that arrives within the proper time, the elections official should determine if the signature and residence address on the ballot application appear to be the same as that on the original affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*. The elections official may make this signature check upon receiving the voted ballot, but the signature must be compared before the vote by mail voter ballot is canvassed.

(b) If the elections official deems the applicant entitled to a vote by mail voter’s ballot he or she shall deliver by mail or in person the appropriate ballot. The ballot may be delivered to the applicant, his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling, or a person residing in the same household as the vote by mail voter, except that in no case shall the ballot be delivered to an individual under 16 years of age. The elections official shall deliver the vote by mail ballot to the applicant’s spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling, or a person residing in the same household as the vote by mail voter only if that person signs a statement attested to under penalty of perjury that provides the name of the applicant and his or her relationship to the applicant,

1 and affirms that he or she is 16 years of age or older, and is
2 authorized by the applicant to deliver the vote by mail ballot.

3 (c) If the elections official determines that an application does
4 not contain all of the information prescribed in Section 3001 or
5 3006, or for any other reason is defective, and the elections official
6 is able to ascertain the voter's address, the elections official shall,
7 within one working day of receiving the application, mail the voter
8 a vote by mail voter's ballot together with a notice. The notice
9 shall inform the voter that the voter's vote by mail voter's ballot
10 shall not be counted unless the applicant provides the elections
11 official with the missing information or corrects the defects prior
12 to, or at the time of, receipt of the voter's executed vote by mail
13 voter's ballot. The notice shall specifically inform the voter of the
14 information that is required or the reason for the defects in the
15 application, and shall state the procedure necessary to remedy the
16 defective application.

17 If the voter substantially complies with the requirements
18 contained in the elections official's notice, the voter's ballot shall
19 be counted.

20 In determining from the records of registration if the signature
21 and residence address on the application appear to be the same as
22 that on the original affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the*
23 *document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant*
24 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, the elections official
25 or registrar of voters may use the duplicate file ~~of affidavits~~ of
26 registered voters or the facsimiles of voter's signatures, provided
27 that the method of preparing and displaying the facsimiles complies
28 with law.

29 SEC. 37. Section 3011 of the Elections Code is amended to
30 read:

31 3011. (a) The identification envelope shall contain ~~all of~~ the
32 following:

33 (1) A declaration, under penalty of perjury, stating that the voter
34 resides within the precinct in which he or she is voting and is the
35 person whose name appears on the envelope.

36 (2) The signature of the voter.

37 (3) The residence address of the voter as shown on the affidavit
38 of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused the*
39 *voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of*
40 *Section 2101.5*.

1 (4) The date of signing.

2 (5) A notice that the envelope contains an official ballot and is
3 to be opened only by the canvassing board.

4 (6) A warning plainly stamped or printed on it that voting twice
5 constitutes a crime.

6 (7) A warning plainly stamped or printed on it that the voter
7 must sign the envelope in his or her own handwriting in order for
8 the ballot to be counted.

9 (8) A statement that the voter has neither applied, nor intends
10 to apply, for a vote by mail voter's ballot from any other
11 jurisdiction for the same election.

12 (9) The name of the person authorized by the voter to return the
13 vote by mail ballot pursuant to Section 3017.

14 (10) The relationship to the voter of the person authorized to
15 return the vote by mail ballot.

16 (11) The signature of the person authorized to return the vote
17 by mail ballot.

18 (b) Except at a primary election for partisan office, and
19 notwithstanding any other provision of law, the vote by mail voter's
20 party affiliation may not be stamped or printed on the identification
21 envelope.

22 SEC. 38. Section 3013 of the Elections Code is amended to
23 read:

24 3013. Upon delivering or mailing a vote by mail voter's ballot,
25 the elections official shall enter on the application of the vote by
26 mail voter, or on the affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of*
27 *the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant*
28 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, the type of ballot and
29 the date of delivering or mailing. Before the election the elections
30 official shall send to the inspector of each precinct in his or her
31 county or city a list of the voters in that precinct applying for and
32 receiving ballots under ~~the provisions of this chapter~~.

33 SEC. 39. Section 3019 of the Elections Code is amended to
34 read:

35 3019. (a) Upon receipt of the vote by mail ballot the elections
36 official shall compare the signature on the envelope with that
37 appearing on the affidavit of registration ~~and, if they or the~~
38 *duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered*
39 *to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5. If the*
40 *signatures compare, the elections official shall deposit the ballot,*

1 still in the identification envelope, in a ballot container in his or
2 her office. A variation of the signature caused by the substitution
3 of initials for the first or middle name, or both, shall not invalidate
4 the ballot. If the ballot is rejected because the signatures do not
5 compare, the envelope shall not be opened and the ballot shall not
6 be counted. The cause of the rejection shall be written on the face
7 of the identification envelope.

8 (b) If the elections official has compared the signature of the
9 voter's application with the ~~affidavit~~ *registration document*
10 pursuant to Section 3009, the application may be used rather than
11 the ~~affidavit~~ *registration document* to make the signature check
12 required by this section.

13 (c) No ballot shall be removed from its identification envelope
14 until the time for processing. No ballot shall be rejected for cause
15 after the envelope has been opened.

16 (d) In determining from the records of registration if the
17 signature and residence address on the identification envelope
18 appear to be the same as that on the affidavit of registration *or the*
19 *duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered*
20 *to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, the
21 elections official or registrar of voters may use the duplicate file
22 ~~of affidavits~~ of registered voters or the facsimiles of voters'
23 signatures, provided that the method of preparing and displaying
24 the facsimiles complies with the law.

25 SEC. 40. Section 3021 of the Elections Code is amended to
26 read:

27 3021. (a) After the close of the period for requesting a vote
28 by mail voter ~~ballots~~ *ballot* by mail ~~any~~ a voter unable to go to the
29 polls because of illness or disability resulting in his or her
30 confinement in a hospital, sanatorium, nursing home, or place of
31 residence, or ~~any~~ a voter unable because of a physical handicap
32 to go to his or her polling place or because of that handicap is
33 unable to vote at his or her polling place due to *an* existing
34 architectural ~~barriers~~ *barrier* at his or her polling place denying
35 him or her physical access to the polling place, voting booth, or
36 voting apparatus or machinery, or ~~any~~ a voter unable to go to his
37 or her polling place because of ~~conditions~~ *a condition* resulting in
38 his or her absence from the precinct on election day may request
39 in a written statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that a ballot
40 be delivered to him or her. This written statement shall not be

1 required if the vote by mail ballot is voted in the office of the
2 elections official as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 3018, at
3 the time of the request. This ballot shall be delivered by the
4 elections official to ~~any~~ *an* authorized representative of the voter
5 who presents this written statement to the elections official.

6 (b) Before delivering the ballot the elections official may
7 compare the signature on the request with the signature on the
8 voter's affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document*
9 *that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to*
10 *subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, but in any event, the
11 signature shall be compared before the vote by mail ballot is
12 canvassed.

13 (c) The voter shall mark the ballot, place it in the identification
14 envelope, fill out and sign the envelope, and return the ballot,
15 personally or through the authorized representative, to either the
16 elections official or ~~any~~ *a* polling place within the jurisdiction.

17 (d) These ballots shall be processed and counted in the same
18 manner as other vote by mail ballots.

19 SEC. 41. Section 3305 of the Elections Code is amended to
20 read:

21 3305. Upon receipt of an application for registration and a vote
22 by mail ballot by a person who meets the requirements of Section
23 3302, the county elections official shall determine the following:

24 (a) That the last domicile of the applicant in the United States
25 was in the county to which the person has applied. If the last
26 domicile of the applicant in the United States was in another
27 county, the elections official shall forward the application to that
28 county.

29 (b) That the applicant is not currently registered. If the applicant
30 is registered as a resident of the county, the elections official shall
31 cancel the ~~affidavit of~~ *voter's* registration.

32 SEC. 42. Section 3501 of the Elections Code is amended to
33 read:

34 3501. A new citizen registering to vote after the close of
35 registration shall provide the county elections official with proof
36 of citizenship prior to voting, and shall declare that he or she has
37 established residency in California. Upon receipt of proof of
38 citizenship and California residency, the county elections official
39 shall instate the affiant as a registered voter and include his or her

1 affidavit of registration in the permanent file of ~~affidavits voter~~
2 ~~registrations.~~

3 SEC. 43. Section 9094 of the Elections Code is amended to
4 read:

5 9094. (a) The Secretary of State shall mail ~~a ballot pamphlets~~
6 ~~pamphlet to voters a voter,~~ in those instances in which the county
7 elections official uses data processing equipment to store the
8 information set forth in the affidavits of registration *and the*
9 *duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be registered to*
10 *vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5,* before
11 the election at which ~~measures a measure~~ contained in the ballot
12 pamphlet ~~are is~~ to be voted on unless a voter has registered fewer
13 than 29 days before the election. The mailing shall commence not
14 less than 40 days before the election and shall be completed no
15 later than 21 days before the election for those voters who
16 registered on or before the 60th day before the election. The
17 Secretary of State shall mail one copy of the ballot pamphlet to
18 ~~each~~ *a* registered voter at the postal address stated on the voter's
19 affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that*
20 *caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision*
21 *(a) or (b) of Section 2101.5,* or the Secretary of State may mail
22 only one ballot pamphlet to two or more registered voters having
23 the same surname and the same postal address.

24 (b) In those instances in which the county elections official does
25 not utilize data processing equipment to store the information set
26 forth in the affidavits of registration *and the duplicates of the*
27 *documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to*
28 *subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5,* the Secretary of State
29 shall furnish ballot pamphlets to the county elections official not
30 less than 45 days before the election at which ~~measures a measure~~
31 contained in the ballot pamphlet ~~are is~~ to be voted on and the
32 county elections official shall mail ~~a ballot pamphlets pamphlet~~
33 ~~to voters a voter,~~ on the same dates and in the same manner
34 provided by subdivision (a).

35 (c) The Secretary of State shall provide for the mailing of *a*
36 ~~ballot pamphlets pamphlet to voters a voter~~ registering after the
37 60th day before the election and before the 28th day before the
38 election, by either: (1) mailing in the manner as provided in
39 subdivision (a), or (2) requiring the county elections official to
40 mail ~~a ballot pamphlets pamphlet to those voters a voter~~ registering

1 in the county after the 60th day before the election and before the
2 28th day before the election pursuant to ~~the provisions of this~~
3 section. The second mailing of ballot pamphlets shall be completed
4 no later than 10 days before the election. The county elections
5 official shall mail a ballot pamphlet to ~~any~~ a person requesting a
6 ballot pamphlet. Three copies, to be supplied by the Secretary of
7 State, shall be kept at every polling place, while an election is in
8 progress, so that they may be freely consulted by the voters.

9 SEC. 44. Section 14310 of the Elections Code is amended to
10 read:

11 14310. (a) ~~At all elections~~ *an election*, a voter claiming to be
12 properly registered but whose qualification or entitlement to vote
13 cannot be immediately established upon examination of the index
14 of registration for the precinct or upon examination of the records
15 on file with the county elections official, shall be entitled to vote
16 a provisional ballot as follows:

17 (1) An elections official shall advise the voter of the voter's
18 right to cast a provisional ballot.

19 (2) The voter shall be provided a provisional ballot, written
20 instructions regarding the process and procedures for casting the
21 provisional ballot, and a written affirmation regarding the voter's
22 registration and eligibility to vote. The written instructions shall
23 include the information set forth in subdivisions (c) and (d).

24 (3) The voter shall be required to execute, in the presence of an
25 elections official, the written affirmation stating that the voter is
26 eligible to vote and registered in the county where the voter desires
27 to vote.

28 (b) Once voted, the voter's ballot shall be sealed in a provisional
29 ballot envelope, and the ballot in its envelope shall be deposited
30 in the ballot box. All provisional ballots voted shall remain sealed
31 in their envelopes for return to the elections official in accordance
32 with the elections official's instructions. The provisional ballot
33 envelopes specified in this subdivision shall be a color different
34 than the color of, but printed substantially similar to, the envelopes
35 used for vote by mail ballots, and shall be completed in the same
36 manner as vote by mail envelopes.

37 (c) (1) During the official canvass, the elections official shall
38 examine the records with respect to all provisional ballots cast.
39 Using the procedures that apply to the comparison of signatures
40 on vote by mail ballots, the elections official shall compare the

signature on each provisional ballot envelope with the signature on the voter's affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*. If the signatures do not compare, the ballot shall be rejected. A variation of the signature caused by the substitution of initials for the first or middle name, or both, shall not invalidate the ballot.

(2) ~~Provisional ballots~~ A provisional ballot shall not be included in ~~any~~ a semiofficial or official canvass, except upon: (A) the elections official's establishing prior to the completion of the official canvass, from the records in his or her office, the claimant's right to vote; or (B) the order of a superior court in the county of the voter's residence. A voter may seek the court order specified in this paragraph regarding his or her own ballot at any time prior to completion of the official canvass. ~~Any~~ A judicial action or appeal shall have priority over all other civil matters. No fee shall be charged to the claimant by the clerk of the court for services rendered in an action under this section.

(3) The provisional ballot of a voter who is otherwise entitled to vote shall not be rejected because the voter did not cast his or her ballot in the precinct to which he or she was assigned by the elections official.

(A) If the ballot cast by the voter contains the same candidates and measures on which the voter would have been entitled to vote in his or her assigned precinct, the elections official shall count the votes for the entire ballot.

(B) If the ballot cast by the voter contains candidates or measures on which the voter would not have been entitled to vote in his or her assigned precinct, the elections official shall count only the votes for the candidates and measures on which the voter was entitled to vote in his or her assigned precinct.

(d) The Secretary of State shall establish a free access system that ~~any~~ a voter who casts a provisional ballot may access to discover whether the voter's provisional ballot was counted and, if not, the reason why it was not counted.

(e) The Secretary of State may adopt appropriate regulations for purposes of ensuring the uniform application of this section.

(f) This section shall apply to ~~any~~ a vote by mail voter described by Section 3015 who is unable to surrender his or her unvoted vote by mail voter's ballot.

1 (g) ~~Any~~*An* existing supply of envelopes marked “special
2 challenged ballot” may be used until the supply is exhausted.

3 SEC. 45. Section 16442 of the Elections Code is amended to
4 read:

5 16442. After the affidavit is filed with the clerk of the superior
6 court, a copy of the affidavit shall be personally served upon the
7 defendant or sent to him or her by registered mail in a sealed
8 envelope with postage prepaid, addressed to the defendant at the
9 place of residence named in his or her affidavit of registration *or*
10 *the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered*
11 *to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.* The
12 contestant shall make an affidavit of mailing if he or she serves
13 the affidavit by mail, and file it on the same day with the county
14 elections official.

15 SEC. 46. Section 16462 of the Elections Code is amended to
16 read:

17 16462. No service other than as provided in this section need
18 be made upon the defendant. The affidavit shall be filed in the
19 office of the clerk of the superior court within five days after the
20 completion of the official canvass. Upon the filing of the affidavit,
21 the county elections official shall forthwith post, in a conspicuous
22 place in his or her office, a copy of the affidavit. Upon the filing
23 of the affidavit and its posting, the superior court of the county
24 shall have jurisdiction of the subject matter and of the parties to
25 the contest. The contestant on the date of filing the affidavit shall
26 send by registered mail a copy thereof to the defendant in a sealed
27 envelope, with postage prepaid, addressed to the defendant at the
28 place of residence named in the affidavit of registration of the
29 defendant *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter*
30 *to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section*
31 *2101.5*, and shall make and file an affidavit of mailing with the
32 county elections official, which shall become a part of the records
33 of the contest.

34 SEC. 47. Section 17000 of the Elections Code is amended to
35 read:

36 17000. (a) The elections official shall preserve all canceled
37 original affidavits of registration *and the canceled duplicates of*
38 *the documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant*
39 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* for a period of five
40 years, after which they may be destroyed by that officer.

(b) In lieu of preserving the canceled original affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, the elections official may, by filming or other suitable method, record the canceled affidavit *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* and destroy the affidavit *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* following the first general election after the date of cancellation.

SEC. 48. Section 17001 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

17001. The elections official shall keep a copy of the index to the affidavits of registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* described in Section 2180 on file as a public record for election; *and* political research, and governmental purposes, for a period of five years.

SEC. 49. Section 6254.4 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6254.4. (a) The home address, telephone number, e-mail address, precinct number, or other number specified by the Secretary of State for voter registration purposes, and prior registration information shown on the voter registration card *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* for ~~all~~ *a registered-voters voter, are* is confidential and shall not be disclosed to ~~any~~ *a* person, except pursuant to Section 2194 of the Elections Code.

(b) For purposes of this section, “home address” means street address only, and does not include an individual’s city or post office address.

(c) The California driver’s license number, the California identification card number, the social security number, and any other unique identifier used by the State of California for purposes of voter identification shown on a voter registration card of a registered voter *or the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5*, or added to the voter registration records to comply

1 with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42
2 U.S.C. Sec. 15301 et seq.), are confidential and shall not be
3 disclosed to any person.

4 (d) The signature of the voter that is shown on the voter
5 registration card *or the duplicate of the document that caused the*
6 *voter to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of*
7 *Section 2101.5* is confidential and shall not be disclosed to any
8 person.

9 SEC. 50. Section 23365 of the Government Code is amended
10 to read:

11 23365. The elections official of the principal county shall
12 furnish to the officers of each precinct the supplies and equipment
13 as provided for in Sections 14105 and 14110 of the Elections Code.
14 The elections official of each other affected county from which
15 territory is proposed to be taken for the proposed county shall
16 provide to the officers of each precinct the indexes of registration
17 for the precincts of the proposed county within their respective
18 county. In addition, the elections official may, with the approval
19 of the board of supervisors, furnish the original books of affidavits
20 of registration *and the duplicates of the documents that caused*
21 *voters to be registered to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b)*
22 *of Section 2101.5* or other material necessary to verify signatures.

23 SEC. 51. Section 23374.13 of the Government Code is amended
24 to read:

25 23374.13. The elections official of the principal county shall
26 furnish to the officers of each precinct in the approved county the
27 supplies and equipment as provided for in Sections 14105 and
28 14110 of the Elections Code. The elections official of each other
29 affected county shall provide to the officers of each precinct the
30 indexes of registration for the precincts of the approved county
31 within their respective county. In addition, the elections official
32 may, with the approval of the board of supervisors, furnish the
33 original books of affidavits of registration *and the duplicates of*
34 *the documents that caused voters to be registered to vote pursuant*
35 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5* or other material
36 necessary to verify signatures.

37 SEC. 52. Section 57051 of the Government Code is amended
38 to read:

39 57051. (a) At any time prior to the conclusion of the protest
40 hearing in the notice given by the executive officer, but not

1 thereafter, ~~any~~ *an* owner of land or ~~any~~ *a* registered voter within
2 inhabited territory that is the subject of a proposed change of
3 organization or reorganization, or ~~any~~ *an* owner of land within
4 uninhabited territory that is the subject of a proposed change of
5 organization or reorganization, may file a written protest against
6 the change of organization or reorganization. ~~Each~~ *A* written protest
7 shall state whether it is made by a landowner or registered voter
8 and the name and address of the owner of the land affected and
9 the street address or other description sufficient to identify the
10 location of the land or the name and address of the registered voter
11 as it appears on the affidavit of registration *or the duplicate of the*
12 *document that caused the voter to be registered to vote pursuant*
13 *to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5.* ~~Protests~~ *A protest* may
14 be made on behalf of an owner of land by an agent authorized in
15 writing by the owner to act as agent with respect to that land.
16 ~~Protests~~ *A protest* may be made on behalf of a private corporation
17 which is an owner of land by ~~any~~ *an* officer or employee of the
18 corporation without written authorization by the corporation to act
19 as agent in making that protest.

20 ~~Each~~

21 *(b)* A written protest shall show the date that each signature was
22 affixed to the protest. ~~All signatures~~ *A signature* without a date or
23 bearing a date prior to the date of publication of the notice shall
24 be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of ~~any~~ *a*
25 ~~written protests~~ *protest*.

26 SEC. 53. Section 19584.5 is added to the Revenue and Taxation
27 Code, to read:

28 19584.5. (a) In addition to any other requirements set forth in
29 this part, the Personal Income Tax filing form prepared by the
30 Franchise Tax Board shall include all of the following:

31 (1) Request the information to establish whether the taxpayer
32 satisfies the requirements to be registered to vote pursuant to
33 Section 2101 of the Elections Code.

34 (2) Contain a statement that, if the taxpayer satisfies the
35 requirements to vote pursuant to Section 2101 of the Elections
36 Code, he or she shall be registered to vote, unless he or she declines
37 to be registered to vote.

38 (3) Contain a method by which the taxpayer may decline to be
39 registered to vote.

1 (4) Request any other information required by state or federal
2 law for a person to be registered to vote.

3 (b) The Franchise Tax Board shall transmit to the county
4 elections official for the county in which the taxpayer resides a
5 duplicate of the completed Personal Income Tax filing form, unless
6 the taxpayer has declined to register to vote.

7 (c) The Franchise Tax Board shall confer with the Secretary of
8 State in order to further compliance with this section.

9 SEC. 54. Section 12500.5 is added to the Vehicle Code, to
10 read:

11 12500.5. (a) In addition to any other requirements set forth in
12 this division, the application for a new or renewed California
13 driver's license, instruction permit, junior permit, or identification
14 card shall include all of the following:

15 (1) Request the information to establish whether the applicant
16 satisfies the requirements to be registered to vote pursuant to
17 Section 2101 of the Elections Code.

18 (2) Contain a statement that, if the applicant satisfies the
19 requirements to vote pursuant to Section 2101 of the Elections
20 Code, he or she shall be registered to vote, unless he or she declines
21 to be registered to vote.

22 (3) Contain a method by which the applicant may decline to be
23 registered to vote.

24 (4) Request any other information required by state or federal
25 law for a person to be registered to vote.

26 (b) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall transmit to the
27 county elections official for the county in which the applicant
28 resides a duplicate of the completed application for a new or
29 renewed California driver's license, instruction permit, junior
30 permit, or identification card, unless the applicant has declined to
31 register to vote.

32 (c) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall confer with the
33 Secretary of State in order to further compliance with this section.

34 SEC. 55. Section 12950.5 of the Vehicle Code is amended to
35 read:

36 12950.5. (a) The department shall require ~~a digitized signature~~
37 *signature* on each driver's license. A digitized signature is an
38 electronic representation of a handwritten signature.

39 (b) The department shall provide to the Secretary of State the
40 digitized signature of ~~every~~ *a* person who registers to vote on the

1 voter registration card provided by the department *or who*
2 *completes an application for a new or renewed California driver's*
3 *license, instruction permit, junior permit, or identification card*
4 *and does not decline to be registered to vote.*

5 (c) The department shall provide the Secretary of State with
6 change-of-address information for ~~every~~ *a* voter who indicates
7 that he or she desires to have his or her address changed for voter
8 registration purposes.

9 SEC. 56. Section 60211 of the Water Code is amended to read:

10 60211. ~~No~~ *A person shall not vote at any a district election*
11 *held under the provisions of this act who is not a voter within the*
12 *meaning of the Elections Code, residing in the division of the*
13 *district in which he or she casts his or her vote. For the purpose of*
14 *registering voters who shall be entitled to vote at district elections,*
15 *the county elections official is authorized, in any a county in which*
16 *there is a district, to indicate upon the affidavit of registration or*
17 *the duplicate of the document that caused the voter to be registered*
18 *to vote pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 2101.5 whether*
19 *the voter is a voter of a district.*

20 SEC. 57. If the Commission on State Mandates determines
21 that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement
22 to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
23 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
24 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.